

Conrad Weiser Area School District Board Briefs

Actions of the board taken on October 21, 2015

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS...

Ratified and/or approved

- general account bills in the amount of \$3,831,751.47 and cafeteria account bills in the amount of \$114,115.25.

the following from the Curriculum Committee

- the discard of CW East textbooks.
- a field trip for the FBLA Club, under the direction of Michael Noss and Frances Williams, to attend the FBLA State Leadership Workshop at the Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel in State College on Sunday, 10/25/15-Monday, 10/26/15.
- a field trip for the Agriculture Department and FFA, under the direction of Adam Serfass and Tabitha Meredith, to attend the National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY, from 10/27/15-10/31/15.
- a field trip, under the direction of Georgann DeVine, for approximately 38 students to attend a music class and musical show in New York City on 11/18/15.
- a field trip for the Ski Club, under the direction of John Rohm and Zachary Musser, to Sugarbush, VT, from 1/21/16-1/24/16.
- student teachers for the second semester as follows: Amy Karnes, music with Diana Cook at CW East and with Neal Lutz at the high school; Blace Newkirk, music with Sean Hackett at the high school; Brayden Buie, music with Nicole Natale at the middle school; Jessie Fischer, social studies with Eric Rothenberger at the high school.
- a five-week pre-student teaching request for the following Alvernia University students during the first semester of the 2015-16 school year: Olivia Duzelman, grade 8 learning support with Kim Serfass at the middle school; Julie Sutton, grade 5 learning support with Heather Sellars at the middle school; Alyssa Pursel, grade 1 with Kathy Pachuilto at CW West.

the following from the Budget & Finance Committee

- the change in placement of an elementary special education student from Wilson School District's autistic support classroom to the Vista School (Hershey) for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
- student activity accounts for the high and middle schools.
- the 2015-2016 special education contract with Wilson School District in the amount of \$126,349.51 to provide services for four students.
- the settlement of a due process complaint for an elementary school special education student, which includes a total payment of \$20,000.00 to an educational trust and legal fees.
- the transfer of the deficit for the 2014-2015 school year from Committed Fund Balance for Retirement.

the following from the Extra-Curricular Committee

- winter extra-curricular athletic positions, personnel and salaries for the 2015-16 school year.
- volunteer coaches for the 2015-2016 school year.
- the disposal of a whirlpool in the middle school training room.
- high school extra-curricular unpaid positions and personnel for the 2015-2016 school year.
- district clubs and organizations, effective 8/26/15.
- Krysta Reber to replace Raymond Edwards as AP Coordinator.

the following from the Facilities/Property Committee

- change orders as listed for the Weiser Decisions Facility Alterations, Renovations and Upgrades Project.

- the purchase of updated and replacement equipment for the public address system in the high school auditorium at a cost not to exceed \$10,500.00.
- relocation of the 30/90 Shelter Care Program from Bethany Children's Home to the Weiser Decisions/Church Street building after completion of the renovation project.
- replacement of certain pieces of playground equipment at CW East at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- the employment of substitute support staff personnel for the 2015-2016 school year.
- the employment of substitute teachers for the 2015-2016 school year.
- tuition reimbursement for support staff and faculty.
- the employment of Lynn Manwiller (Reading) as a long-term substitute for Brenda Wagner, middle school secretary, effective 9/2/15.
- the transfer of Desiree Frantz, certificated instructional aide at CW West, to long-term substitute for Molly Fick, CW West grade 1 teacher.
- an increase in hours for Noreen Heller, special education transportation aide, from two days a week to five days a week, effective 8/26/15.
- the employment of Tracey Keeney (Stouchsburg) as a long-term substitute for Shannon Shearer, part-time special education instructional aide at the high school, effective 10/22/15.
- the position guide and hiring for a Head Custodian/Mail Transport position.
- the position guide and hiring of a part-time library secretary at the high school.
- the position guide and hiring of a part-time Instructional/Clerical Assistant at CW West.
- the hiring of a part-time Hybrid Learning Coach at the high school for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year.
- the hiring of full-time certificated aides for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year: for grade 4 at CW West and for kindergarten at CW East.
- an agreement with Kristen Bender (Reading) to provide contracted school psychology services for student evaluation purposes for 48 hours a month from 10/22/15-2/29/16.
- the employment of Linda Miller (Sinking Spring) and Beverlee Titus (Wernersville) as part-time noon-time aides at CW East, effective 10/22/15.
- an uncompensated leave of absence for Amber Rowdon, certificated instructional aide at CW East, effective 10/14/15.
- Philhaven (Mt. Gretna) to provide homebound instruction for the following students: a middle school student, effective 10/15/15, and a high school student, effective 10/10/15.
- the transfer of Mary Hulina from part-time special education transportation aide to part-time noon-time aide at CW West, effective 10/9/15.

Accepted

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- with regret, the resignations of the following: Georgette Brignol, noon-time aide at CW West, effective 9/18/15; Therese Matthew, special education instructional aide at BCTC, effective 9/18/15; Ada Castillo, part-time food service worker at CW East, effective 9/22/15; Tracey Keeney, part-time food service worker at the middle school, effective 10/21/15; Jennifer Wilinsky, Food Service Director, effective 11/13/15; Paula Christensen, certificated special education instructional aide at the middle school, effective 11/17/15; Carrie Brightbill, Food Service Manager at CW East, effective 11/13/15; Kaci Faust-Martzell, food service worker at CW West, effective 10/9/15.
- with regret, the intent to retire of Kathleen Hickernell, food service worker at the high school, effective 11/13/15.
- with regret, the irrevocable letter of retirement from Ruth Wolfe, fifth grade teacher, effective 2/17/16, and of Charles Moyer III, middle school gifted education teacher, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

Rescinded

the following from the Extra-Curricular Committee

- the 8/19/15 Board approval of Raymond Edwards as AP Coordinator.

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- the 9/16/15 approval of a change in the salary status of Adam Sandoe, high school health and physical education teacher, pending further documentation.

Received

- Policy No. 706.1-Disposal of Surplus Property/Textbooks/Supplies-1st reading.

Was informed of the following:

- concerns from community members about a bus stop.
- of CW West teacher Linda Schneider as winner of the Laretta Woodson Award from the Western Berks Association of School Retirees.
- Holly Miller will serve two crossover days with her replacement, Melani Sanders, prior to her retirement on 12/31/15.
- Brenda Wagner, middle school secretary, returned to work on 10/19/15.
- the first day of employment for Rachael Haverstick, Elementary Instructional Coach, was 9/28/15.
- the first day of parental leave for Amber Rowdon was 9/21/15.
- beginning in the 2015-16 school year, gifted support teaching assignments are as follows: Krysta Reber, grades 9-12; Charles Moyer, grades 6-8; Alice Weidner-Breslin, grades K-4; Kelly Snyder, grades K-5.
- the actual start date for Virginia Schaeffer, noon-time aide at CW East, was 10/12/15.